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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from May 15 to June 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Sangchris Lake State Park

0604948 - This project involves the repair of ten stop log structures on the existing subimpoundment by adding screw gates with new pipe. Project was submitted for review on 5-15-06.

Sangchris Lake State Park

0604946, 0604947 - These projects involve the removal of exotic bush honeysuckle and autumn olive by mechanical means and replanting the areas to hardwoods. Projects were submitted for review on 5-15-06.

Prairie Ridge State Natural Area

0605068, 0605069 - These projects involve the construction of 11 vernal ponds for reptiles and amphibians on form agricultural ground. Each pond will average approximately 15" in depth and 1/20th of an acre in size. Projects were submitted for review on 5-17-06.

Goose Lake Prairie

0604988 - This project involves the construction of a 15' high platform on the archery range at the site. Project was submitted for review on 5-17-06.

Fort Massac State Park

0605022 - This project involves the installation of a new lift station to serve the site superintendent's residence and the visitor center. Project was submitted for review on 4-4-06.

William W. Powers

0604408 - This project involves the removal of concrete radar towers and other structures that remain on land formerly part of Nike Missile Site C-44's Control Area. Project was submitted for review on 3-2-06.

• Mermet Lake

0605055 - This project involves the replacement of the recovery pump located at the northwest corner of the lake that was damaged in the tornado of 2003. Project was submitted for

review on 4-8-06.

• Kaskaskia River Fish & Wildlife Area

0604949 - This project involves the construction of a 70' x 60' gravel parking lot with a 20' wide access road at Stemler Cave Woods Nature Preserve. Project was submitted for review on 4-27-06.

• Illinois Beach State Park

0605093 - This project involves the removal of the last remnant of asbestos containing sand from the feeder beach at the site. Clean sand will now be applied as nourishment material for the beach. Project was submitted for review on 5-30-06.

Kaskaskia River Fish & Wildlife Area

0604296 - This project involves the construction of a 100' long levee and water control structure across the mouth of Oxbow #5. Project was submitted for review on 3-29-06.

• Wildlife Prairie Park

0605338 - This project involve the rehabilitation of the existing eagle enclosure at the site to bring it up to US Fish & Wildlife standards. Project was submitted for review on 6-5-06.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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